Tower 1: Erection of 3rd tier of steel structure is going on. Materials for 4th tier is at site.

Tower 2: Erection of 2nd tier of structure completed. Materials for 3rd tier at site.

Tower 3: Erection of 2nd tier of structure completed. Civil foundation works completed.

Tower 4: Earth work in filling the plinth completed. Shuttering for R.C.C. for columns started.

(d) and (e): According to the information received from the State Government of Assam, the grant released was being used for payment of salaries of employees of Sports Board of Assam: but that Government has since regularised the same by giving special grant-in-aid.

Enhancement of honey production in Bihar

2483. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is giving any Central Assistance to the state of Bihar for disbursing among the farmers for the development of bee colonies in the State to enhance honey production;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the other measures taken by Government to give incentives to farmers in Bihar for the production of honey in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Central Sector Scheme for Development of Bee Keeping for improving Crop Productivity being implemented during Eighth Five Year Plan was launched with effect from 1994-95, under this scheme, there is a provision to give subsidy support @ 50% of the cost of bee colonies subject to a maximum of 20 colonies to the beneficiaries in each State including the State of Bihar. The Directorate of Horticulture was identified as the State Designated Agency (SDA) during 1995-96 for implementing the Scheme. During the year 1995-96 13,000 bee colonies are proposed to be distributed at an outlay of Rs. 19.5 lakhs.

(c) Besides distribution of bee colonies, this scheme also envisages training of bee keepers with a provision of Rs. 1,000 per trainee including supply of one bee colony to each trainee. An amount of Rs. 25,000 /was released to the Rajendra Agril. University, Pusa, Distt. Samastipur, Bihar for training 25 Beekeepers during 1994-95. The scheme also has provision for taking up promotional research on bee keeping. The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) is also implementing All India Coordinated Research Project on Honey Bee Research & Training for the benefit of farmers of Bihar State through the Rajendra Agril. University, Pusa, Bihar. The Khadi & Village Industry Commission (KVIC) is also engaged in promoting bee keeping industry. The KVIC have sanctioned Rs. 29.46 lakhs to 20 Institutions of Bihar and State Khadi and Village Industries Board during 1994-95 for promoting bee keeping industry. They have made a tentative allocation of Rs. 7.75 lakh for 1995-96.

Allotment of unsafe Government quarters

2484. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS & EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of Government quarters in Laxmi Bai Nagar and Sarojini Nagar, which come under the administrative control of Director of Estates had been declared dangerous by CPWD and got vacated through the Estate Office;

(b) if so, the details thereof for the last three years;

(c) whether the Executive Engineers are entitled to allot such quarters to the CPWD employees in an arbitrary manner, under any order of his Ministry;

(d) if so, the detials thereof; and

(e) if not, the action Government propose to take against the Executive Engineers who have allotted such quarters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI P.K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The details for the last three years are as under:

(i) Quarter No. L-320 Sarojini Nagar was declared dangerous and got vacated on 14.2. 1994. The same was handed over to the Director of Estates, after repair for allotment and it has been occupied by the allottee on 2.5.1995.

(ii) Quarter No. GI-806, Sarojini Nagar was got vacated on 4.2.1994 and the repair work has not yet been completed.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise in view of reply to parts (a) and (b).

भूमिगत जल को पुन: चार्ज करने संबंधी योजना

2485. **श्री अजीत जोगी:** क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार ने भूमिगत जल को पुन: चार्ज करने संबंधी योजना को स्वीकृति दे दी है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) किन-किन राज्यों में अब तक केन्द्रीय भूमिगत जल बोर्ड ने यह योजना आरंभ की है;

(घ) किन-किन राज्यों में निकट भविष्य में यह योजना आरंभ की जायेगी; और

(ङ) वर्ष 1994-95 और 1995-96 के दौरान इस प्रयोजनार्थ केन्द्रीय सरकार द्वारा राज्यों को कितनी धनराशि आवंटित की गई है / किये जाने का प्रस्ताव है?

जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी.बी. रंगैया नायडू): (क) और (ख) सरकार ने 3.67 लाख रुपए की अनुमानित लागत पर "भूजल के पुनर्भरण में अध्ययन" केंद्रीय क्षेत्र योजना को स्वीकृति प्रदान की है। योजना के 3 मुख्य घटक हैं यथा (i) अन्वेषात्मक अध्ययन (ii) प्रायोगिक प्रचालनात्मक परियोजनाएं और (iii) रिसाब तालाब और उप-धरातलीय तटबंध/बांध।

(ग) और (घ) इस योजना के अंतर्गत महाराष्ट्र, कर्नाटक, उत्तर प्रदेश, आंध्र प्रदेश तमिलनाडु, पश्चिम बंगाल, बिहार, मध्य प्रदेश, केरल राज्यों, राष्ट्रीय राजधानी राज्य क्षेत्र दिल्ली और संघ राज्य क्षेत्र चंडीगढ़ एवं अंडमान व निकोबार द्वीप समूह में कार्रवाई शुरू की गई है।

(ङ) इस योजना के तहत 1994-95 के दौरान महाराष्ट्र राज्य सरकार को 54.04 लाख रुपए और कर्नाटक राज्य सरकार को 36,29,600/रुपए का अग्रिम भुगतान किया गया था। 1995-96 के दौरान जवाहर लाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालय, दिल्ली को 12.56 लाख रुपए की राशि अग्रिम भुगतान के रूप में निर्मुक्त की गई है। यह भुगतान राज्य सरकारों और जवाहर लाल नेहरू विश्वविद्यालय को केंद्रीय भूजल बोर्ड की ओर से निर्माण कार्य करवाने के लिए किया गया है। इसके अतिरिक्त अग्रिम का और भुगतान इस योजना के तहत कार्य की प्रगति पर निर्भर करेगा।

Bid money for import of Fertilizers

2486. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the bid money for importoif urea and other fertilizers and bid-bonds are accepted only in dollars by the National Fertilizers Limited (NFL) and PPCL;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken or proposed to be taken by Government to accept bid money from the bidders in Indian currency and against bank guarantees of Indian nationalised banks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) to (c) The canalising agencies for import of urea decide as per their commercial judgement the currency in which bid money is to be offered by the suppliers. While National Fertilizers Limited (NFL) has accepted bid money only in US dollars, Pyrites, Phosphates and Chemicals Limited (PPCL) has accepted bid money in US dollars or equivalent rupees.

Loans under National Women Funda

2487. SHRI S. AUSTIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Non-Governmental Organisations / Corporations engaged in the field of women development in Tamil Nadu which have been provided with loans by the Central Government under the National Women Fund during the years 1993-94, and 1994-95, year-wise and district-wise;

(b) the method of spending this amount by the organisations; and